

**MINUTES OF MEETING
COMMON COUNCIL
CITY OF MONTICELLO
MONDAY, AUGUST 1, 2011**

The meeting of the Common Council, of the City of Monticello, Indiana, was held on Monday, August 1, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jason Thompson and opened with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll call, by Clerk Treasurer Liz Oilar, was answered by Mayor Jason Thompson, Council Members Dave Kelly, Jim Mann, Bill Smith, and Eric Storm, and City Attorney George Loy. Council Member Grace Oilar was absent.

There being no additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting on Monday, July 18, 2011, a motion was made by Council Member Jim Mann, seconded by Council Member Bill Smith, to approve the minutes as presented. All ayes, motion carried.

Department Head Reports

Street Superintendent Doug Roberts stated that the weekend went well. His department appreciated both groups involved with the festival on Friday night, Saturday, and Sunday. Clean up went very well. There were plenty of containers and toters out and Doug thinks this helped immensely. They finished clean up at 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

Park Superintendent Mitch Billue stated that they have removed three trees at Jordan Park in preparation of a boardwalk which they are ready to put in. Once the boardwalk is completed they will be putting up a split rail fence. Mitch has requested three quotes for some curbing work to be done in the parking lot. He is working with the Rotary Club to do some final last details to get the park finished. They had a rocket launch on Saturday at the City Park. Twelve rockets were set off and the kids had a good time.

Fire Chief Shane Swaim stated that the Festival was pretty uneventful for his department. They broke the 300 mark for ambulance runs in one month for the first time. This Friday the South Korean group may come back to the department. They will have another class for them. Shane said it is very interesting to talk with them and compare the differences in the way each of them do things.

Wastewater Superintendent Joe Mowrer stated that it is quiet down at their end. The flow has finally returned to some semblance of normal. It's been hanging around 1.05 or 1.1. It's still up a little but the rain showers help to give the sewers a good flush.

Water Superintendent Rod Pool stated that they are pumping more water than normal. They have had a couple of minor leaks in the last week or so. They have been working on the water salesman building. It should be completed in the next week or two. They are waiting on Nipsco to get power for it. They still are busy with locates.

Assistant Police Chief Nate Miller stated they are still taking applications for the Ordinance Officer and Patrolman positions in their department. The 8th of August is the last day they will accept applications. They did not have any real issues with the festival except for a few parking issues on the first day and a minor verbal altercation on Saturday evening.

Consideration of Ordinance 2011-10; Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of White County – Amending Chapter 11 Administrative Bodies and Officials – Area Plan

Council Member and Area Plan Representative Jim Mann stated that this Ordinance is for the possibility of a hearing examiner. It is not something they are doing now. The possibility is there that if the APC Board decided they could have a hearing examiner serve the function of the APC Board on certain aspects of the work that the APC does. Things could get done on a timelier basis, without a full Board, and with a cost savings. The Board can define the things the examiner can hear. This is being put into an Ordinance in case the Board wanted to adopt it at some future date. Council Member Jim Mann made the motion to pass Ordinance 2011-10; Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance of White County, State of Indiana, seconded by Council Member Eric Storm. All ayes, motion carried.

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Liz Oilar, IAMC, CMC
City Clerk Treasurer